

**NEWS RELEASE**  
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## **PHOTO-OP** **TOMORROW**

### **14 Students in Full HazMat Safety Gear Experience Hands-On Training at the Career Transition Center**

**WHAT:** Community members might be a bit concerned when they see fourteen people in HazMat safety gear tomorrow afternoon. The 14 students have just completed and prepared for a career in Construction Union Apprenticeship Building Trades, where they learned about the construction industry, received two weeks of math instruction for the trades, OSHA safety regulations, refinery safety and CPR training, will be putting on safety gear and practicing with simulated hazardous materials. Their classroom training has prepared them to identify hazards, deal with emergencies, and keep themselves and the public safe. Tomorrow they will actually have the hands-on training.

**WHERE:** Pacific Gateway Workforce Investment Network' Career Transition Center's parking structure at 3447 Atlantic Ave.

**WHEN:** Thursday, February 28, between noon – 4 pm. Call Kathy Parsons for details.

**WHO:** Students come from a variety of previous experience; everything from recent high school graduates to IT professionals, and others who have worked in construction. All, in the near future, will be trying to earn the State Certifications in Hazardous Waste Worker Protection and Emergency Response (HAZWOPER), a desirable industry credential. Students plan to enter union apprenticeships or other work in fields such as carpentry, iron work, electrical and other construction trades.

The Pacific Gateway Workforce Investment Network and the Center for Working Families will be enrolling new students for the CAP program, and starting new classes every four weeks. For further information about the training program contact Center for Working Families at [www.pacificgatewayworkforce.com](http://www.pacificgatewayworkforce.com) or call 562-570-WORK.

The Pacific Gateway Workforce Investment Network offers free services to both businesses and job seekers in LOMITA, LONG BEACH, SIGNAL HILL, TORRANCE, HARBOR CITY, HARBOR GATEWAY, SAN PEDRO, AND WILMINGTON. For more information about services call 562.570.WORK or visit [www.pacificgatewayworkforce.com](http://www.pacificgatewayworkforce.com).

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